

**December 15, 2011** 

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## SUMMIT COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY TOURS OF THE PERKINS STONE MANSION

Tours of Perkins Stone Mansion will be held on Wed. the 14th, Thurs. the 15th, and Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. We will be open special hours this Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> of December from 1:00 to 4:00 pm.

### **Volunteers Needed!**

Summit County Historical Society is looking for volunteers to help with the Akron History Exhibit at Lock 3 in downtown Akron over the Holidays and through the month of January 2012. Please contact Melinda Sedelmeyer, Volunteer Coordinator for Summit County Historical Society at <a href="Melinda@summithistory.org">Melinda@summithistory.org</a> or by phone at 330-535-1120 for more information and schedules.

## Zips Men's Basketball vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff



December 15, 2011 7:00 PM James A. Rhodes Arena

For the second time in three seasons, the Zips open up play as the defending Mid-American Conference champions. Since joining the Division I ranks, Akron posted records of 21-9 (1986-87) and 24-11 (2009-10) in the season following a conference championship.

The Zips enter the season as one of the favorites to win the Mid-American Conference and the right to represent the league in the NCAA Tournament.

## Movies@Main

Date: Thursday December 15th, 2011

**Time:** 6:30-9 p.m.

**Location:** Akron-Summit County Public Library visit website

### **FAST FIVE**

After Brian and Mia break Dom out of jail, they find themselves trapped in Rio de Janeiro and on the run from the law! Now one last job stands between them and freedom! Nonstop excitement starring Paul Walker, Vin Diesel and Dwayne Johnson. Rated PG-13. 130 min

## **Akron Symphony Orchestra - Holiday Pops**



EJ Thomas Hall December 16, 2011 7:30 pm www.ejthomashall.com

The tradition continues as Carl Topilow (Cleveland Pops) leads the Akron Symphony Orchestra in this beloved annual concert of traditional and contemporary holiday favorites, including an appearances by Santa Claus and free candy canes for the kids!

## Keith McKelley's Holiday Album Release Show



December 16, 2011 8:00 PM Akron Civic Theatre

Join jazzist Keith McKelley as he performs Christmas favorites and releases his new Holiday album.

Keith McKelley's energetic talent transcends genres with a rich, beautiful tone that travels the edgy frontiers of jazz, rock, R&B, funk, hiphop, and gospel.

This is a cabaret show and seating will be limited.

### **Winter Wonderettes**

Dates: Friday December 16th, 2011; Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>

Time: 8 p.m.

Location: Actors' Summit www.actorssummit.org

It is Christmas, 1968 and the Marvelous Wonderettes, Betty Jean, Cindy Lou, Missy and Suzy, entertain at the holiday party for Harper's Hardware, where Betty Jean has worked since high school. Santa arrives late and brings bad news – the hardware store is closing. The girls rescue the holiday with a concert of pop Christmas favorites from "Frosty the Snowman" to "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree."

### **Holiday Market at Lock 3**

Date: \*Friday December 16<sup>th</sup> \*Sat., December 17, \*Tues., Dec. 20, \*Wed. Dec. 21,

\*Thurs. Dec. 22, Fri., Dec. 23

Time: 11 a.m.-9 p.m.

**Location:** Lock 3 www.downtownakron.com/market

The Holiday Market at Lock 3 features the return of German craftsmen from Akron's sister city of Chemmnitz, Germany, as well as local craftsmen and artists.

Mario Hausdorfer, a glassblower from the Ertzgeberge Mountains is well-known to Lock 3 visitors who have enjoyed his hand-blown German ornaments since 2004.

Local vendors include LitWick Candle Co., Fig Tree crafts, Pushing Tin Studio, Tindercraft Ceramics, Highland Baking, and Homemade Delites.

## **Holiday Gift Wrapping**

Date: Friday December 16th, 2011 and Wednesday December 21

**Time:** 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Location: Cascade Locks Park Association/Mustill Store & House

Is finding time for wrapping your holiday gifts a hassle? Are you running out of places to hide them from your kids until that special day? Or maybe you just want your gifts to be wrapped by a professional? Our volunteers at the Mustill Store are hosting four days of gift wrapping for you! For a minimum donation of \$5, we will wrap anything you need. We already have ribbon, paper, and nametags, all you need to do is fill out the nametags for your loved ones and then you're free to go about your holiday business. Just come back later to pick them up.

## **Christmas Under the Stars with Helen Welch**



December 17, 2011 7:30 PM Akron Civic Theatre

## **Breakfast with Santa and the Animals**

Date: Saturday December 17th, 2011

**Time:** 9 a.m. - 11 a.m,.

Location: Akron Zoo visit website You must pre-register for this event.

Make some warm memories at this cool event!

New this year this event includes a full breakfast buffet and you can watch the animals open some of their presents that we call enrichment.

#### Breakfast menu:

- Pancakes
- Toast
- Bagels
- Scrambled Eggs (with assorted toppings)
- Bacon
- Sausage
- Home fries with onions
- Fresh Fruit
- Yogurt
- Granola
- Beverages: Coffee, Orange Juice

Price includes admission to the zoo following the event.

Register at www.akronzoo.org/visit/register.asp

## Zips Men's Basketball vs.Florida A & M



December 17, 2011 4:00 PM James A. Rhodes Arena

## **Akron's 32nd Tuba Christmas**



December 17, 2011 12:00 PM and 2:30 PM EJ Thomas Hall

Hundreds of tubas - many festively decorated with tinsel, garlands and lights - create Akron's favorite holiday tradition. TubaChristmas is a free holiday gift to the community from The University of Akron School of Music and E. J. Thomas Hall.

Interested in performing? Contact founder and conductor Tucker Jolly at 330.972.6641 or trjolly@uakron.edu.

Free for audience; \$5 for performers.

# Diamond Dogs Racing Kennel and the Lazy Husky Ranch

Date: Saturday December 17, 2011 - Sunday December 18, 2011

**Time:** 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Location: Lock 3

### lock3live.com



The Diamond Dogs Racing Kennel and the Lazy Husky Ranch will thrill children with demonstrations of sled dogs and the history behind the world-famed Iditarod. Shannon Miller and her dogs will educate and entertain. Get up close to the huskies. (Bring Your Camera).

## **Three Dog Weekend**

Date: Saturday December 17, 2011 - Sunday December 18, 2011

**Time:** 1:00 p.m - 4:00 p.m.

Location: Lock 3 lock3live.com

- 1. Join Cartoon Favorite "Scooby Doo," from Time-Warner Cable from 1pm-4pm both days.
- 2. Shannon Miller brings her Sled Dogs from the Diamond Dogs Racing Kennel and the Lazy Husky Ranch to thrill children with demonstrations of sled dogs and the history behind the world-famed Iditarod. Saturday and Sunday, 1pm-3pm. Get up-close to the huskies.
- 3. Akron's Police Department K-9 unit will also be on hand to introduce children to their 4-legged crime-fighting partners, with a demonstration of what these canine officers can do.

## Pancake "Barkfest" with Scooby Doo



Date: Saturday December 17, 2011 - Sunday December 18, 2011

**Time:** 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Location: Lock 3 lock3live.com

Join TV's "Scooby Doo" on Saturday and Sunday for breakfast to benefit the Akron Police Department K-9 Unit. Scooby will be taking pictures with children so please bring your camera. Cost is \$5.

# Ididaputt 2011 - Minigolf Contest and Winter Sledding Race

Date: Saturday December 17th, 2011

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Location: Lock 3

### **Event Description**

There will be a 9-hole minigolf course set up on the snowcapped landscape of Lock 3 where two-person teams

will complete as many holes as they can in one hour. Teams must also pull a sled (or wagon) along the course

filled with donated children's toys, clothes, hats, and gloves.

Before the event, teams will collect pledges from friends, family, businesses, etc. to make a donation for each

completed hole. Therefore, the more holes teams complete, the more they raise! Sign Up: topdog@ldidaputt.org or www.ldidaputt.org

Plenty of free parking at the O'Neil's Parking Deck at 52 W.

## Zips Women's Basketball vs. Youngstown State

December 18, 2011 2:00 PM James A. Rhodes Arena

The University of Akron women's basketball team was tabbed third in the East division, as announced in the 2011-12 preseason poll by the Mid-American Conference on Tuesday. In addition, junior forward Rachel Tecca was selected to the Preseason All-MAC Team.

Individual tickets available one hour before tip-off at James A. Rhodes Arena or call the ticket office at 1-888-99-AKRON (25766)

# Masterworks Chorale & Youth Touring Choir

Christmas Candlelight Concerts

Friday, Saturday & Sunday

December 16, 17 & 18, 2011

7:30 pm • St. Bernard / St. Mary Church, Downtown Akron (*Directions*)

The Summit Choral Society's annual gift to the Akron community features the Masterworks Chorale, the Summit Children's Touring Choir, and -- this year -- the debut of a new ensemble, the Summit Children's Choir Alumni Choir. The first half of this year's concert features two *Magnificats*.

David Pettit's *Magnificat* will be sung by the Touring Choir, and J.S. Bach's *Magnificat* will be sung by the Masterworks Chorale featuring soloists who are graduates of the Summit



Children's Choir Program. The second half of the concert will introduce the *Alumni Choir* and will include familiar carols sung by the choirs and audience alike, culminating with the candlelight recessional to the singing of *Silent Night*.

Tickets: \$20 and \$15, all reserved seating • No Discounts Available

Buy Tickets Online Now - FREE shipping and handling online.

## Zips Men's Basketball vs. Florida A & M



December 17, 2011 4:00 PM James A. Rhodes Arena

## Mannheim Steamroller Christmas Concert brings a family tradition to EJ Thomas Hall



### December 18, 2011 4:00 PM

EJ Thomas Hall

Kick-off your holiday celebration with Mannheim Steamroller's spectacular production. Grammy Award winner, Chip Davis has created a show that features the beloved Christmas music of Mannheim Steamroller along with state of the art multimedia effects in an intimate setting.

The spirit of the season comes alive with the signature sound of Mannheim Steamroller with this ultimate family experience that has made Mannheim Steamroller America's favorite Christmas artist.

## Zips Men's Basketball vs. Youngstown State



December 19, 2011 7:00 PM James A. Rhodes Arena

# Away in the Basement Musical presented by the Church Basement Ladies

Date: Tuesday December 20th, 2011

Time: 7 p.m.

**Location:** Akron Civic Theatre

### www.akroncivic.com

And out of the basement shall come a Church Basement program of good tidings, great humor and joy!. The ladies are serving it up again, This time around it's an all-new holiday show. Troupe America, Inc., the Producer of the nationally acclaimed musical comedy Church Basement Ladies and Church Basement Ladies 2: A Second Helping opens the holiday season with a new musical comedy Away in the Basement: A Church Basement Ladies Christmas. Away in the Basement takes us back to 1959 and the day of the Sunday School Christmas Program.

In the midst of holiday preparations and sprinklings of love in the air, the ladies in their witty, down-to-earth style are creating their own memories from Christmases past and present. Content to do things the way they have always been done yet pondering new ideas, the reality of everyday life hits home as they plan the Sunday School Christmas Program. As the children rehearse up in the sanctuary, several of the ladies of the kitchen are finishing up the treat bags filled with apples, peanuts and ribbon candy while the others put the final touches on the nativity pieces. As they mend old bathrobe costumes, discuss the politics of who's going to play the various roles, little do the ladies know what surprises are in store for them. Known for their hilarious antics and subtle charm, they are once again called upon to step in and save the day!

### Zips Men's Basketball vs. North Carolina A & T

December 21, 2011 7:00 PM James A. Rhodes Arena

## Zips Women's Basketball vs. Providence

December 28, 2011 7:00 PM James A. Rhodes Arena

## Discover Downtown Akron Passports on Sale Now!

Explore 16 Downtown Akron events from October 2011-May 2012 for only \$15!

Have you visited Downtown Akron recently? Whether you haven't been Downtown in years, or you're here often and are just looking for a good deal, make sure you get your Discover Downtown Akron Passport! The Passport gives you admission to 16 different events from October 2011-May 2012 for only \$15.



Events include exclusive tours, free admission to popular venues and events, train rides, ice skating, magic and more! You'll even get a free admission button to First Night Akron 2012 (\$10 value) with the purchase of the Passport!

### For more information go to:

http://www.downtownakron.com/enjoy/discover-downtown-akron-passport

# The Akron History Exhibit & American Toy and Marble Museum

Date: Friday November 25, 2011 - Saturday December 31, 2011

Time: See Details

**Location:** Akron History Exhibit & American Toy Marble Museum

Visitors can celebrate Akron's industrial history from canal boat building to cereal manufacturing, from rubber and tires to Lighter-than-Air and engage Akron's whimsical past at the Akron Toy Marble Museum . Lock 3 was where the American Toy Marble & Toy Manufacturing Co made marbles in the 19th century. New this year will be a kinetic sculpture with toy marbles moving through a traditional marble "railway".

Hours: Thursdays, 6pm-8pm

Fridays and Saturdays, Noon-8pm

Sundays, 11am-6pm

## **CHECK OUT THE CITY OF AKRON:**

## **Quarterly GreenWorks Newsletter:**

http://akronohio.gov/webdocs/newsreleases/akronweekly/GreenworksNewsletter.pdf

https://www.facebook.com/#!/AkronOhio

http://twitter.com/CityofAkronOhio

http://www.youtube.com/user/cityofakron

## 2011 - 2012 WINTER LOCK 3 SCHEDULE November 25, 2011 – January 29, 2012 www.lock3live.com

### **Ice Rink Hours of Operation (beginning November 25)**

Thursdays 11am - 9pm (Closed Thanksgiving)

Fridays and Saturdays 11am - 11pm Sundays, 11am - 6pm

December 19-23 and 26-30 11am - 9pm every day

December 24 11am - 6pm Closed

December 31 11am - 11pm

January 1 Closed January 16 (MLK Day) 11am - 6pm

## Skate Rental closes 30 min. before rink closing. Pre-schoolers must be accompanied on the ice by an adult in skates

"REINDEER RUN" Lock 3's all-season slide, November 25, 2011 – January 29, 2012

Thursdays 6 pm – 9 pm Fridays 6 pm - 9 pm

Saturdays 1 pm -4 pm, 6 pm -9 pm

Sundays 1 pm -4 pm

Dec. 19-23 and Dec. 26-30 1 pm -4 pm, 6 pm -9 pm

Dec. 24 1 pm -4 pm

### **SHOPPING** (beginning November 25)

Fridays and Saturdays: 11 am – 9 pm Sundays: 12 pm – 6 pm December 19 – 23 11 am – 9 pm December 24 11 am – 4 pm December 31 11 am – 11 pm

### **KINDERZONE November 25 - December 23**

Fridays 6 pm – 8 pm

Saturdays 2 pm – 4 pm and 6pm – 8 pm

Sundays 2 pm – 4 pm

Dec. 19-23 and Dec. 26-30 2 pm - 4 pm, 6 pm - 8 pm

Dec. 24 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

## **LOCK 3 SPECIAL EVENTS**

"A 3-Dog Weekend" Sat/Sun December 17-18

Pancake 'Barkfest' with Scooby, Sat. and Sun., 8:30am-10:30am

16<sup>th</sup> Annual First Night, Saturday, December 31, 5pm -9pm., Ice Rink open until 11pm

5<sup>th</sup> Annual Firefighters Chili Challenge, Friday, January 6, 11am - 1:30pm

### **TROLLEYS: November 25 – January 2**

Fridays 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Saturdays: 12:00 pm - 10:00 pm Sundays: 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm Dec. 24: 12:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Dec. 25 - CLOSED

Dec. 31: 12:00 pm – 12 midnight

# HOLIDAYFEST DOWNTOWN EVENTS: At a Glance

### **The Polar Express**

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railway's Akron Northside Station November 17 - December 19 www.cvsr.com

### **Winter Wonderettes**

The Actor's Summit November 23 - December 23 www.actorssummit.org

### **Holiday mART**

Akron Art Museum December 8, 2011 www.akronartmuseum.org

### The Oakridge Boys Christmas Show

Akron Civic Theatre
December 9, 2011 7:30pm
www.akroncivic.com

### Ryan Humbert: 3rd Annual Holiday Blowout

Akron Civic Theatre
December 10, 2011 7:30pm
www.akroncivic.com

Breakfast with Santa and the animals – SOLD OUT
Akron Zoo

December 10, 9am-11am December 11, 9am-11am December 17, 9am-11am December 18, 9am-11am www.akronzoo.org

#### **German Carol Service**

Zion Lutheran Church December 11, 2011 4pm www.ziononthehill.org

### Jingle Jazz

EJ Thomas Hall December 11, 2011 3pm www.eithomashall.com

### Keith McKelly's Holiday Album Release Show

Akron Civic Theatre
December 16, 2011 8pm
www.akroncivic.com

### **Akron Symphony Orchestra - Holiday Pops**

EJ Thomas Hall December 16, 2011 8pm www.ejthomashall.com

### **Summit Choral Society Christmas Candlelight Concert**

Historic St. Bernard Church December 16, 17, 18 7:30pm www.summitchoralsociety.org

## Christmas Under the Stars with Helen Welch featuring the choirs of Miller South & ETC

Akron Civic Theatre
December 17, 2011 7:30pm
www.akroncivic.com

### Away in the Basement presented by the Church Basement Ladies

Akron Civic Theatre
December 20, 2011 7pm
www.akroncivic.com

#### **Christmas Eve Service**

Zion Lutheran Church December 24, 2011 7pm www.ziononthehill.org